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In re Patent Application of

Hirofumi Nitta et al.

Application No.: 09/963,395

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Title: HYDRAULIC BRAKE SYSTEM FOR VEHICLE

Group Art Unit: 3683

Examiner: Benjamin A. Pezzlo

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## **AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Enc	losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.				
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.				
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$\$ \$55.00 (2814) \ \infty\$\$ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. \ \$ 1.20(d) are also enclosed.				
	Also enclosed is/are				
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.				
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the   ☐ \$385.00 (2801) ☐ \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).				
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.				
	Applicant(s) previously submitted				
	on				
	for which continued examination is requested.				
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.				
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.				

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No additional claim fee is required.

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		Α	MEND	ED CLAIMS		
	No. of Claims	Highe of Cla Previo Paid	aims ously	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	10	MINUS	20 =	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS	3 =	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds m	nultiple depen	dent claim	s, add	\$290.00 (1203)		
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00	
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee				\$ 0.00		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 0.00	

A check in the amount	of	_ is enclosed for the fee due.
Charge	to Deposit Acco	ount No. 02-4800.
Charge	to credit card.	Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed February 24, 2004, favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page two of this paper.